Comparative Study of Electoral Systems

Description of Sample and Data Collection

I. Country: __Netherlands__

II. Type of Election (e.g. presidential; parliamentary; legislative): __Parliamentary__

III. Date of Election: __6 May, 1998__

IV. Organization that Conducted the Survey Field Work: __Instituut voor Toegepaste Sociale Wetenschappen, Nijmegen__

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VI. Study Design (check one)
    ___ Post-Election Study
    _X_ Pre-/Post-Election Panel Study

VII. Dates of Interviewing
    Date Post-Election Interviewing Began: __11 May 1998__
    Date Post-Election Interviewing Ended: __4 July 1998__

    (If Panel Study)
    Date Pre-Election Interviewing Began: __31 March 1998__
    Date Pre-Election Interviewing Ended: __5 May 1998__

VIII. Mode of interview (check one)   *main mode. Other modes also*
    X In person, face-to-face   *used for specific samples /*
    ___ Telephone   *parts of questionnaire*
    ___ Mail or self-completion supplement

IX. Sample Design and Sampling Procedures

1. Eligibility Requirements
    a) age: *18 at election day*
    b) citizenship: Yes X No ___
    c) other:_____

2. Persons Excluded From the Sample Frame
    a) Were any regions of the country excluded from the sample frame? Yes ___ No X
       If yes, explain:_____
       _____
       _____

    b) Were institutionalized persons excluded from the sample? Yes ___ No X
    c) Were military personnel excluded from the sample? Yes ___ No X
    d) (If telephone interview) Estimated percentage of households without a phone: ___%
    e) (If telephone interview) Were unlisted telephone numbers included in the
       population sampled? Yes ___ No ___
    f) Other persons excluded from the sample frame: *① Enfranchised person*
       living abroad ② Disenfranchised citizens
       _____

    g) Estimated total (a+b+c+d+e+f) percentage of the eligible population excluded from
       the sample frame: *< 1* %

3.1 Sampling Method (if Face-to-Face)
    a) Describe how the primary sampling units were selected: *implicit stratification :*
       municipalities according to 4 regions and 5 degrees
       of urbanization
       Were the primary sampling units randomly selected? Yes X No ___
    b) Was there a second stage selection? Yes X No ___
    c) Describe the method by which the second stage sampling units were selected: *SRS from the electoral registers of the selected*
       municipalities. See documentation for details/exceptions
       Were the secondary sampling units randomly selected? Yes X No ___
    d) Was a selection table used to select the respondent within the household?
       Yes ___ No X
       If no, describe:_____*Persons sample.*_____

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e) Under what circumstances was a sample line designated non-sample? (Check all that apply)

   ___ All members of household are ineligible
   ___ Housing unit is vacant
   ___ No answer at housing unit   *N A*
   ___ Other, explain:_____

_____

f) Were non-sample replacement methods used? Yes **X**   No ____
   If yes describe:___*In selection of municipalities : if not willing to cooperate* ___*(i.e. use of electoral register), replacement municipality was used.*_____

3.2 Sampling Method (if telephone)   *N A*
   a) Describe how the sample was drawn_____

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b). Was the sample a
      random digit dial sample? Yes ___   No ___
      listed sample? Yes ___   No ___
      dual frame? Yes ___   No ___;
         (if dual frame) % list frame: ___; % random-digit dial: ___

c) Was a selection table used to select the respondent within the household?
   Yes ___   No ___
   If no, describe:_____

d) Criteria for designating a sample line non-sample. (Check all that apply)
   ___ All members of household ineligibles
   ___ Non-residential phone
   ___ No answer (if so), after how many calls to number? ___
   ___ Non-working number
   ___ Other, explain:_____

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e) Were non-sample replacement methods used? Yes ___   No ___
   If yes describe:_____

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3.3 Sampling Method (if mail / self completion)
   a) Describe how the sample was drawn_____

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b) Was the sample a listed sample? Yes ___   No ___
c) Was a selection table used to select the respondent within the household?
   Yes ___   No ___
   If no, describe:_____

d) Criteria for designating a sample line non-sample. (Check all that apply)
___ All members of household ineligibles
___ Housing unit is vacant
___ Other, explain:_____
_____
_____

e) Were non-sample replacement methods used? Yes ___ No ___
If yes describe:_____
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_____

4. Compliance
a) Pre-Study Strategies: Prior to the study was
a letter sent to respondent?   Yes **X** No ___
payment sent to respondent?   Yes ___ No **X**
a token gift sent to respondent? Yes ___ No **X**
any other incentives used?   Yes **X** No ___
If yes, describe:_ 1/5 lottery ticket _on next draw of_
State lottery._
_____

b) During the Field Period   *person !*
Maximum number of contacts with the household before declaring it non-sample: no max.
Maximum number of contacts with the household before declaring it non-interview: set,
Maximum number of days over which a household was contacted: ___
Did interviewers vary the time of day at which they recontacted the household?
Yes **X** No ___
c) Refusal Conversion
Was an effort made to persuade respondents who were reluctant to be interviewed?
Yes **X** No ___ If "No" (go to Section X)
Were respondents who were reluctant to be interviewed sent a letter persuading them to
take part? Yes ___ No **X**
Was payment offered to respondents who were reluctant to take part? Yes ___ No **X**
Were respondents who were reluctant to take part turned over to a more experienced
interviewer? Yes ___ No **X**
Maximum number of recontacts used to persuade respondent to be interviewed: no max.
Other methods used to persuade respondents reluctant to be interviewed to take part:
_ telephone approach by experienced telephone interviewer._

X. Response Rate (to first wave if a panel study)

a) Total number of sample lines issued: 4,207
b) Total number of completed interviews: 2,101
c) Number of refusals: 1,533
d) Number never contacted (no-contact):   395

e) Other non-response:[1]   _178_

f) Number of lines of non-sample:[2]   _—_

g) Response Rate: (b/(a-f))*100:   _49.9 %_

XI. Panel Attrition (Complete only if CSES questionnaire is administered as part of a 2-wave panel study)

a) Total number of respondents in wave I of the study: _2,101_

b) Number of wave I respondents re-interviewed in wave containing CSES Module: _1,814_

c) Percent panel attrition ((a-b)/a)*100:   _13.6 %_

d) Panel attrition by age:

Age	% Reinterviewed
18-25	_80.7_ %
26-40	_87.9_ %
41-65	_87.1_ %
65 & over	_85.8_ %

e) Panel attrition by education:

Education	% Reinterviewed
None	___ %
Incomplete primary	_—_ %
Primary completed	_86.3_ %
Incomplete secondary	___ % _83.1_
Secondary completed	_88.2_ %
University incomplete	_91.8_ %
University degree	_92.4_ %

Post-secondary trade/vocational: _88.3 %_

XII. Sample Weight

a) Are the data weighted? Yes _X_ No ___   Weights available in data file

If yes:

b) Are the data weighted to compensate for disproportionate probability of selection at the person or household level? Yes ___ No _X_

c) Are the data weighted to match "known" demographic characteristics of the population? Yes _X_ No ___

d) Are the data weighted to correct for non-response? Yes _X_ No ___

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[1] These include cases where there were language difficulties, a non-competent respondent, illness, or a respondent who was away from home for the entire field period.

[2] Non-sample includes: vacant houses, houses where no resident was eligible (e.g. non-citizens or underage residents).

e) Describe the procedure used to construct the sample weight:_____
_____Refer to documentation of P/4/5 study_____
_____(on CD Rom or Internet)_____
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XIII. Description of interviewers (age, level of education, and years of experience):

_____Refer to documentation.   Also in data file_____
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Description of interviewer training:___Extensive.___
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XIV. Comparison of Sample to Population

Characteristic	Population Estimates[3]	Sample Estimates Unweighted	Weighted
Age	not available in published materials		
18-25	___%	13.1 %	12.4 %
26-40	___%	32.3 %	32.9 %
41-66	___%	40.0 %	37.7 %
65 and over	___%	13.0 %	17.1 %
Education			
None	___%	— %	— %
Incomplete primary	___%	.1 %	.0 %
Primary completed	___%	10.1 %	11.4 %
Incomplete secondary	___%	30.2 %	31.7 %
Secondary completed	___%	4.4%	4.4%
Post-secondary trade / vocational school	___%	42.9 %	41.3 %
Incomplete university	___%	4.0%	3.5 %
University degree	___%	8.1 %	7.6 %
Gender			
Male	49.4 %	48.6 %	48.8%
Female	50.6 %	51.4%	51.2%

XV. Languages used in the interviews. List:
    Dutch

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[3] From national statistical agency. Provide source.